

Time Limit on Straw Hats Will Expire in El Paso on Sept. 15

After That Date the Straw Variety Will Go on the Shelf by an Arbitrary Rule of Fashion.

By NORMAN M. WALKER.

JUST to get the record straight, Sept. 15 is the time for the total abolition of the straw hat in favor of the fuzzy felt creation for men's wear. This date is arbitrary, as all dates since the fall of man, and it is an imperative one, as imperial is the case. Straw hats are due to go the garbage can route on and after Sept. 15.

September 15 is the date set apart by the male fashion makers for canning the thatched top piece from polite society. Being below the 33 degree latitude El Paso and her straw hat wearing contingent are permitted 15 days of grace to get rid of the top piece intended for summer wear. Chicago the date was set up 21 days by cartoonist McCutcheon, for the very good reason that he had a perfectly good straw hat that would last the time limit without going to seed.

Enjoys Unusual Distinction.

El Paso enjoys a peculiar distinction in the straw hat geography. Being between the Sept. 1 and the year round belts, the straw is always permissible in these parts. This is if the sun would keep its hands off and not turn up the brims, yellow the straw and curl the crown. In the east, north and west one hat may be worn for the entire season and for an outlay of three

plunks or less. In El Paso the wind and weather combine in favor of the hat haberdashers and two hats are necessary in order to complete the season with anything but a total wreck for a crowing glory.

Mexico the straw hat. Thatched and silver trimmed, the sombreros are as proper in polite society in Mexico in December as they are in June. The people know nothing else but the straw hat, high crowned and broad brimmed. The felt charrro hat is worn by the class of men referred to in theater programs as "gents." But the straw hat is the universal wear throughout the republic. El Paso, being on the border, gets a touch of this southern unconventionality in the matter of straw hats. All winter long Mexicans wear the straw hats and in the parks.

But for the American, the follower of the styles as they are shown in the advertising pages of the popular magazines, straw hats are to be relegated to the rubbish heap on Sept. 15.

Already the advance guard of soft cloth hats, fuzzy and of no particular value, are appearing. Another week and these will be the universal wear in these parts.

Dr. Parkhurst On How to Lighten the Burden on the Consumer.

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NEXT to the reduction of tariff one of the most practical means of lightening the burden resting on the shoulders of the poor will be to bring into more immediate relation with one another the ultimate consumer and the original producer of such commodities as are essential to the consumer's life. There are certain articles that all people require, but that make only an essential part of the poor man's means of subsistence, such as milk, eggs and potatoes. Now, if there is anything, the present method of production and distribution of such commodities which tends to lift their prices above the figure that is normally just and reasonable to the poor, but of duty to them, to see that methods of traffic are arranged that the consumer shall not be compelled to pay more than a fair and necessary price for the things absolutely essential to the well being of himself and family.

Consumer Pays Three Times as Much As the Farmer Gets.

Take the matter of milk, for example. I am credibly informed that milk, for which the upcountry farmer receives but three cents per quart, is sold to our tenement house people for nine cents. Deducting a cent and a half for transportation to the city, and the same amount for distribution inside the city, there remains three cents unaccounted for and which we can say is the amount per quart that is unreasonably and unjustly wrung from the pocket of the poor consumer. Assuming that he uses but a single quart per day, the fraud would amount to \$11 in the course of a year.

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Cooperative Efficiency in El Paso Charity Work

The Woman's Charity association held its regular monthly meeting Wednesday in the rooms of the Y. W. C. A. The following monthly report was submitted by Miss H. Grace Franklin, director of charities for the association:

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The women of El Paso must remember that El Paso is considered a winter resort, and, of course, the poor as well as the wealthy flock to such places. El Paso has more than her share of this burden in caring for the poor of other towns. The poor come here to get away from the cold and dampness of their homes, and to get away from the cold and dampness of their homes, and to get away from the cold and dampness of their homes.

TEXAS has a law which requires one year's residence in the state and six months in the county before a pauper can become a county charge.

The kindness of the railroads is abused by securing for these people the regular clothing, and the tourist comes and the tourist comes and the tourist comes.

El Paso has become known as a "good thing" and the tourist comes and the tourist comes and the tourist comes.

We have out many of the professional beggars at the charities of El Paso. If a man comes to the charities and asks for aid it is not refused, but before aid is given he must work for it. The impostor comes to the charities and asks for aid and will return this afternoon. She never comes back.

Cases in charge

Americans

German

Irish

Persons represented

Visits to homes

Meat orders

Dosen eggs

Articles of clothing

Supplied with fuel

Secured employment

Referred to dispensary

Placed in homes

Societies cooperating: Police department, county charities, health department, St. Elizabeth's society, Hotel Dieu, county dispensary.

Donations received from the Globe Mills, Nations Meat and Supply company, Purdy Bros. company, El Paso dairy, Western Coffee company, Jas. A. Dick & Co. and R. G. Crowder.

SCHOOL FOR MOTHERS.

Field Department.

Cases in charge

New cases

Old cases

Visits to homes

First visits

Revisits

Purchase visits

Sanitary inspections

Cases referred to county dispensary

Diseases of eye, ear, nose and throat (Stark)

Diseases of children (Kluttz)

Placements of children (Smith)

General medicine (Emanuel)

Minor surgery (Lyne)

Gynecology (White)

Cases referred to assistant county physician F. W. Lynch for home visiting

Reported on department of health

Insanitary conditions

Typhoid

Tuberculosis

Cases referred to relief department

W. C. A. relief department

El Paso county charities

Amount of relief dispensed

Supplies with milk

Supplied with ice

Pounds of ice supplied

Infants outfits supplied

Maternity outfits supplied

Pairs children's shoes

Other clothing

Toys given out

El Paso County Dispensary

Cases seen

Dispensary days

Smallest attendance (Aug. 15)

Largest attendance (Aug. 15)

Average attendance

Prescriptions dispensed

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